

SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST  
Kawishiwi Ranger District  
Ely, MN

Order No. R9-09-13-02

**FOREST ORDER**

**Temporary Closure of South Arm of Knife Lake (due to fire)**

Pursuant to Title 16 U.S.C. 551, Title 36 CFR 261.50(a), and 36 CFR 261.50(b), the following acts are prohibited on portions of Superior National Forest System lands, roads, and trails. These restrictions go into effect immediately, **August 27, 2013**

1. BWCAW CLOSURE: The following area of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness is closed: the South Arm of Knife Lake, including the waterway, campsites within, and portages leading into the South Arm of Knife Lake. Additional campsites to the northwest of the fire boundary are also closed.
2. Closure signs will be used at normal points of access to delineate the closure area. See Fire Closure Map (Exhibit A). It is prohibited to be upon BWCAW campsites and areas which are posted closed and included in the closure area. 36 CFR 261.53(e) Special Closures, Public Health or Safety.

THESE EMERGENCY RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH AND SAFETY DUE TO WILDLAND FIRES IN THE VICINITY OF THE AFFECTED LANDS, WATERS, TRAILS, PORTAGES, CANOE ROUTES, AND DEVELOPED RECREATION SITES. THESE RESTRICTIONS WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT AS LONG AS THEY ARE POSTED ON-SITE AND UNTIL RESCINDED.

THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS FOUND AT 36 CFR 261, SUBPART A, THE GENERAL OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS FOUND IN FOREST ORDER NOS. R909-05-02, R909-04-06.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or Law Enforcement Officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Persons engaged in a business, trade, or occupation in the area, when authorized and when accompanied by a Forest Officer or official member of the Incident Command Team.

Executed in Duluth, Minnesota, this 27th day of August, 2013.



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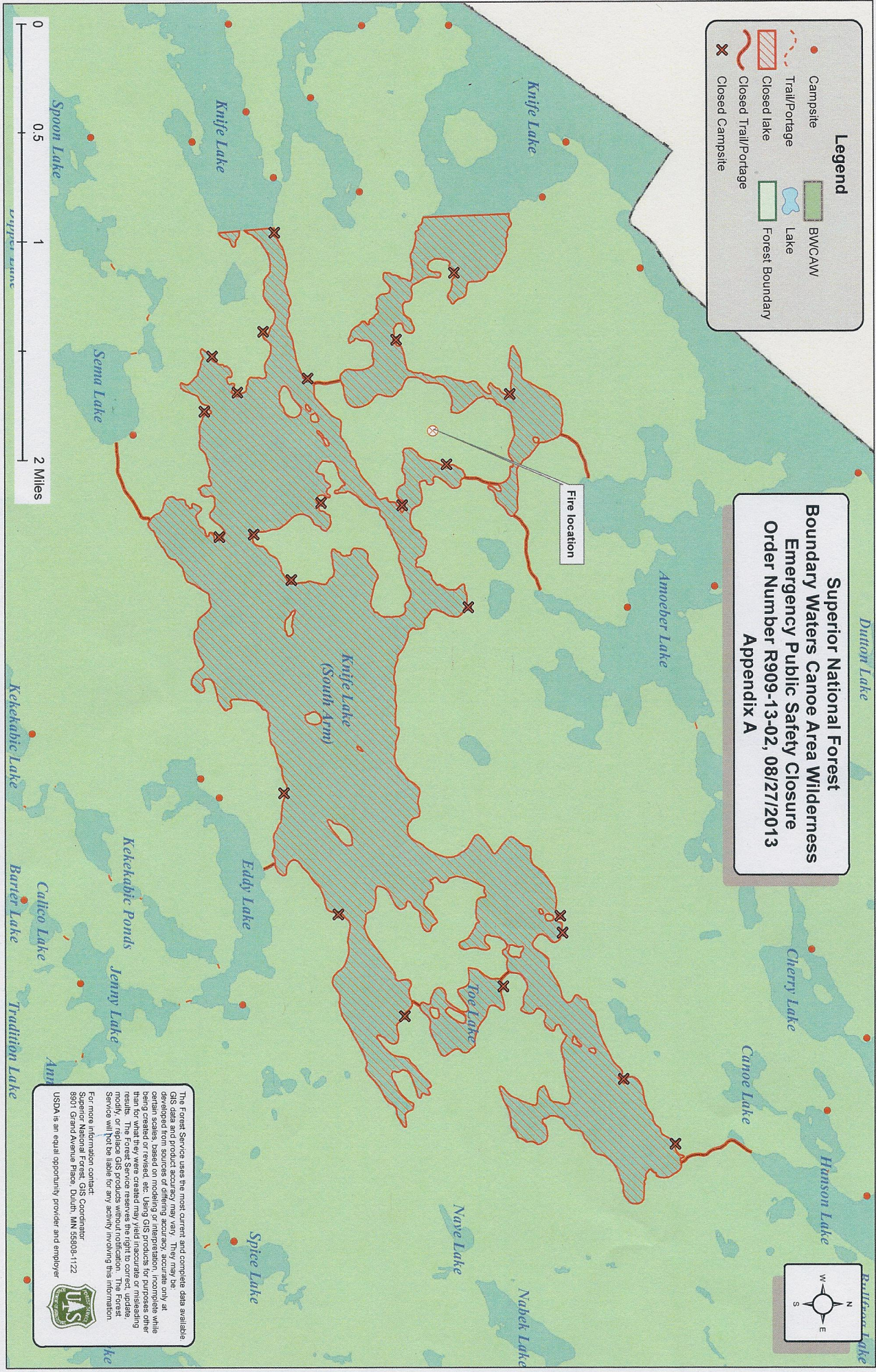
Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. [16 USC § 551, 18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571.]



**Legend**

	Campsite		BWCAW
	Trail/Portage		Lake
	Closed lake		Forest Boundary
	Closed Trail/Portage		
	Closed Campsite		

**Superior National Forest  
Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness  
Emergency Public Safety Closure  
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Appendix A**



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